ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ



The Worship of God

Second Sunday of Advent / Hanging of the Green

December 8, 2019

10:55 A.M.

Worship begins with the Chiming of the Hour and the Voluntary.

Please use this as a time of quiet reflection and prayer,
and to record your attendance in the blue booklet at the end of the pew and pass it to others.

To help maintain the spirit of worship, please silence all electronic devices.

Please rise in body or in spirit.

Chiming of the Hour

In the Christmas season, we rejoice in the warmth of a fire, bright poinsettias, holly and ivy, and colorful lights on the tree. During Christmas, our senses are trained to look for beauty. Christmas is about life in its fullness. It is about celebrating beauty in a world where brutality and oppression are everyday experiences for millions of persons, including our most vulnerable children.

The quality of Christmas—what is it? It is the fullness with which fruit ripens, blossoms unfold into flowers, and live coals glow in the darkness. It is the richness of vibrant colors—the calm purple of grapes, the exciting redness of tomatoes, the shimmering light on the noiseless stirring of a lake or a sunset. It is the sense of plateau with a large rock, behind which one may take temporary respite from the winds that chill.

—Howard Thurman

Opening Voluntary

David Weigle

The Holly and the Ivy — arranged by Joseph Martin

†Call to Worship

Congregation

We come together to prepare for the birth of Jesus.

We make ready our welcome for God's only Son, Jesus of Nazareth.

We celebrate this special and holy season of Advent, the season of going toward the coming of Christ.

We renew the special meaning of the Advent season, the season of going toward new hope and eternal life.

Let us clear our minds and open our hearts to the coming of the Lord.

Let us also honor his birth by adorning our sanctuary. Let our songs and symbols represent our personal rededication to the glory of God and the manifestation of love through Jesus Christ. Processional Hymn [see insert]

The Hanging of the Green — CIRCLE OF LOVE

Congregation

Welcome to Worshipers

Harry Wooten

Christ be with you ... and also with you!

[Please record your attendance in the blue booklet at the end of the pew and pass it to others.]

Songs of Joy

Children's Choir Rebecca Rempert, Director Garey Wisdom, Piano

Sing We Nowell! - Terry D. Taylor

Nowell, nowell, nowell we sing!
Tidings of joyful news we bring!
Christ has come with us to dwell.
Jesus, our Emmanuel

With angelic hosts proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" He is Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Jesus, Messiah, the Prince of Peace, come to reign forever.

The Legend of the Poinsettia

Time for Young Disciples

Laura Keller

The Coming of the Light and the Advent Wreath

Linda Cross

Lighting of the Window Candles

Rosa Belgard Margaret Darden Amanda Gregg Paulette Harrison Martha Hatcher Women of the Church

Patricia McNutt Patsy Meier Shannon Miller Janet Schultz Karen Simmons

Advent Hymn

Congregation

The Work of Christmas Calls Us — RUTHERFORD



Unison Prayer Let us pray:

> Open us, O God, to your unfolding vision of peace. Shape us for shalom by the power of your Spirit. Make us bold to hope and dream, living as your trusting children. In the name of Christ. Amen.

The Garlands and Wreaths

Emma Watson

Hanging of the Garlands & Wreaths

RLBC Youth Jim & Mike Rainbolt-Bailey Bryan & Lisa Chastain Phil & Kelley Keith Blake & Shannon Miller

Carol [see insert]

Congregation

The Holly and The Ivy – traditional English melody

The Chrismons and Evergreen Trees

Andy Cavins

Carols [see inserts]

Congregation

(Please come forward during the singing of the Carols to place Chrismons and bows on the trees.).

Evergreen and Ever-fragrant — STUTTGART

O Christmas Tree — O TANNENBAUM

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

Response



Hail to the Lord's A-noint-ed, great Da-vid's great-er Son!

Give the king your justice, O God,

and your righteousness to the royal son!

May he judge your people with righteousness,

and your poor with justice!

Let the mountains bear prosperity for the people, and the hills, in righteousness!

May he defend the cause of the poor of the people, give deliverance to the needy, and crush the oppressor!

May he live while the sun endures, and as long as the moon, throughout all generations!

May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass, like showers that water the earth!

In his days may righteousness flourish, and peace abound, till the moon be no more!

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things. Blessed be his glorious name forever; may his glory fill the whole earth. Amen and Amen.

Michael Gregg

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"To Find the Lost and Heal the Broken"

Invitation to Discipleship

Sermon

Michael Gregg

†Hymn of Commitment 89

Congregation

Comfort, Comfort Ye My People – GENEVAN 42

Please come forward during the singing of this hymn if you wish to confess or reaffirm your faith or identify with this fellowship. A minister will greet and receive you.

Offertory Prayer

Paulette Harrison

Gracious God, we offer you thanks and praise for this season of anticipation, this season of Advent. As we prepare for the birth of your son, we share our tithes and offerings with the joy and excitement that are common when people anticipate the birth of a new child. Bless these gifts in your Holy Name. Amen.

Offertory

Combined Choirs

Birthday Carol — David Willcocks

Rejoice today with one accord, Alleluia, This is the birthday of our Lord. Alleluia.

Gloria, Gloria in excelsis, Gloria, Gloria Deo!

Shepherds abiding in the field, Alleluia, To them God's glory was reveal'd, Alleluia.

And to the shepherd's sore afraid, Alleluia, And angel said, "Be not dismayed," Alleluia.

'Tidings of joy to you I bring,' Alleluia, 'Today is born a heav'nly King,' Alleluia.

'And ye shall find in mange laid,' Alleluia, 'The babe in swaddling clothes arrayed.' Alleluia.

A host of angels fill'd the sky, Alleluia, Thus singing praise to God on high: Alleluia.

Now join we all the angel-throng, Alleluia, And let our voices swell the song: Alleluia.

Presentation of Decisions

Michael Gregg

Affirmation: Thanks be to God!

*Sending Forth

Michael Gregg

Let us pray:

And now may God, Creator of light and trees and flowers, grant us peace.

As we have decorated this place of worship, may we also live lives of worship,

decorated with God's forever things . . .

forever love,

forever life,

forever green.

In the name of God's love and light.

Amen.

Amen.

Organ Dismissal

David Weigle

Praise Ye the Lord of Hosts — Camille Saint-Saëns

Staff Love Gift

During this Giving time of year let's not forget those who give so much to us all year. Our church staff willingly and lovingly provide many services for us throughout the year. As in the past, if you'd like to express your personal appreciation, please place your check in the offering plate today, Sunday, December 8. Be sure your contribution is clearly marked "Staff Love Gift." You may also go online and donate under "Staff Love Offering" at onrealm.org/RoyalLane/Give — *Paulette Harrison, Deacon Chair*



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Hymn Notes

The Work of Christmas Calls Us

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Study for Wednesday Evening Bible Study with Mike Gregg

The Mission of the Seventy-Two and The Good Samaritan Join us at 5:30 for a Fellowship Meal

> Scriptures for Next Sunday Isaiah 35:1-10 Luke 1:47-55 James 5:7-10 Matthew 11:2-11

For the Children!

Children's bulletins are available for ages 3-6 and 7-12.

Don't miss the Secret Code to allow your child to unlock on-line games, in a safe environment, that supplement today's scripture at games.childrensbulletins.com/games/playcode.aspx

The Hanging of the Green

CIRCLE OF LOVE

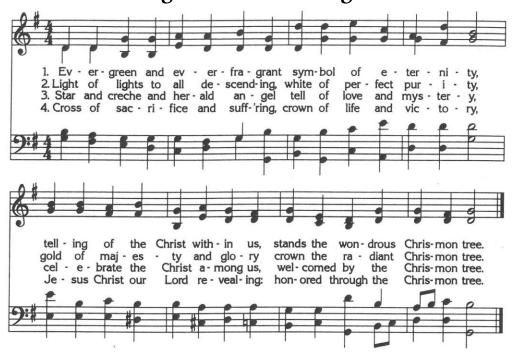
in honor of members of the Royal Lane Baptist Church Altar Guild - David Doom, Lyn and Gordon Brown, Daryl Willey, Advent, 2010



The Holly and the Ivy



Evergreen and Ever-fragrant





Stocking Stuffers for Healing Hands Ministries

Please bring small toys and candy to fill stockings for the children and teenagers who visit the clinic at Healing Hands Ministries. Bring items through the second week in December, then come join us Saturday December 14, when we will fill the stockings at the Women of the Church meeting from 10:00-12:30.

Suggestions: small plush animals, fuzzy socks, small Christmas toys, card games, bubbles, ear buds (for teens), small holiday coloring books, Christmas candy, etc.

Bring Finger Foods – brunch or dessert – to snack on as we stuff stockings at the December 14 meeting.

O Christmas Tree



Poinsettia Gifts

Poinsettias Given in Memory of:

Lynette & Jerry Bush Irma Barger Melba & Doodle Norman Conrad A. Barger Nancy Wellendorf Kevin Bush Erv Eatenson by Steve & Jim Bush Mary Blanch Scales Donnie Cechan Judge & Mrs. Ralph Elliott by Leslie, Jenny, Claire DeVreeze Chris & Clint Cechan John Roger Pat Crutcher by Carol M. Barger & by Rick Crutcher William D. Elliott Lynn Darden Maebelle Raiza Margaret Newton Furr by Connie Bechtol Sam Furr, Jr. Maebelle Raiza by Margaret Darden by Connie Bechtol & Mike Jones Pete Johnson Chad Edward Julian David Matthews by Clay Bohannan & Faith Julian Maebelle Raiza Maebelle Raiza Dorothy Tilden DorothyTilden by Dina DiMaria Chad Julian Kathy Peck Terry L. Kohutek Anna Walling Dan Bohannan by Tonyia Dotson by Shirley Bohannan Judge Fred Edwards Rose Griffin I. C. Edwards Dorothy Griffin Jan Horner Maebelle Raiza by Elwanda Edwards Marty Bell I.E. (Gene) Garrett by Dottie Brashear Nell & Ed Thomas Jim Bryant Jerry R. Thomas Harvey, Ruby, Bob, Ruth, Leroy & Emmie Lou & Otis Kerley Joann Cheek by Betty Garrett by Scott, Marge & David Bryant

Ron & Heide Sumter George, Dorothy & Michael Gresham by John Leonard Gresham & Steve Sumter

Gerry Gunnin by Barbara Gunnin

Dorothy Tilden by Sandy Hargrove & Linda Cass

Anna Marie & Bruce Lowe by Paulette & Harold Harrison

Calvin James
Our parents
Dorothy Tilden
Maebelle Raiza
by Shirley James

Marie S. Coble by Cynthia Coble Kupres

Oscar & Ruth Owens, Jacque Neatherlin, & Babs Arnswald by Doug & Susie Leinneweber

Mary Walker Mark Walker Royal King Luckett Maebelle Raiza by Jamie & Melissa Walker-Luckett

Douglas Martin Donna & Billy Wood by Donna Wood-Martin & Scott Martin

Roy & Ruth Moore & sons Lorraine & Zackey Meachum Pauline Salazar Richard Seib by Bettie Meachum



Zackey & Lorraine Meachum
Roy & Ruth Moore, Charles, George,
Billy & Scott
David Matthews
Dick Seib
Mary Katherine Roberts & John Roberts
by Wayne Meachum

Maebelle Raiza by Patsy & Don Meier

Myrtie Lee & Norman Miller, parents and grandparents by Karen & Lauren Miller

Maebelle Raiza, dear friend by Lauren Miller

Maebelle Raiza Dorothy Tilden by Jack & Judy Mullinax

Lawrence Ambler, father Jewel Ambler, mother Grant Ambler, bother by Marilyn Munro

Gwandolyn Nolan by Brian & Tammy Nolan

George Quesada, Sr. Charlie Jaynes Maebelle Raiza by Jan & Tex Quesada

Marie & I.J. Berrier Granny Joyce Coursan by Ashely & Derrick Ragsdale Lois & Adrian Cook

Michael & Jim Rainbolt-Bailey

Maebelle Raiza, Elizabeth Raiza

Matti Hoover

by the Raiza's, Rex, Gary,

Janna & Rebecca

Marianne Arnold Sapp by Children, Grandchildren Great-Grandchildren of Marianne Sapp

Richard George, Fumiko & Edward Jones Clifford & Emelda Schultz by Laurence & Janet Schultz

Jim Sewell Frank & Jean Whitaker Maebelle Raiza by Anne Sewell

Leyland Jeremiah & Rona Noble, parents by Gillian Simeon

Terry L. Simmons by Karen Simmons

Alice Rannells, mom Richard Rannells, dad Richard Stouffer, husband Babs Arnswald, best friend by Dianna Stouffer

Dr. Bill G. & Katherine Chapman by Jane Stubblefield

Bill "Papa" & Katherine "Nana" Chapman by Jordan Stubblefield

Miss Maebelle by Jane & Jordan Stubblefield Dixie Taylor & Jack Turnbull by Turnbull Family

Edgar Francis Nadine Francis Irian & Bernice Vickrey by Ray & Sharon Vickrey

Everett & Shirley Manning Dennis H. Waters Mark S. Brandon by Marty Waters Cason, Rebecca Sparling, Lisa Waters & Erin Waters,

Jim Sewell Ruth Loganl by Charlotte Sewell & Brian Watson

Wanda Lee Susie Raschke by Cathy Webb & Carol Tabor

Babs Arnswald, Maebelle Raiza, Al & Louisa Weilage, Kermit Moseman, Jim Wickstrom by Jordan Weilage

Orville & Elnora Wisdom Chuck & Linda Spear by Garey Wisdom

Mr. & Mrs. Ellis Reeves Mr. & Mrs. H. H. Wooten Harry & Nancy Wooten



Poinsettias Given in Honor of:

Shelby Bohannan, Hope Julian,
Blake Bohannan, our children
Shirley Bohannan & Louise Finke,
our mothers
by Clay Bohannan, Faith Julian

Shirley Bohannan by Holly Bohannan

The Bohannan family
The Cannon family
The Kohutek family
My church family
by Shirley Bohannan

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Sheryl Gambill by Darlene Carpenter

Ray Vickrey by Dina DiMaria

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IE (Gene) Garrett
Nell & Ed Thomas
Jerry R. Thomas
Emmie Lou & Otis Kerley
by Betty Garrett

Betty Garrett

The ministers, staff & congregation of RLBC by Mike, Amanda,
Annaleigh, & Beatrice Gregg

Ray & Sharon Vickrey, Shirley Bohannan, Shirley James Harry Wooten & RLBC Choir, Janet Schultz by Sandy Hargrove & Linda Cass

Jacob & Jonah Hammett Claire & Owen Keith by Paulette & Harold Harrison

Percy Parrish Family by Kathy & Martha Hatcher

Summer Jones Towers The Canterbury Class by Mike Jones

Owen & Claire Keith Bill & Mary Ruth Keith Bob & Ruth Dickson by Pam & Mike Keith

Martha & Kathy Hatcher by Doug & Susie Leinneweber

Amy, Aaron, Aidan, AJ, & Avery Stewart Amber, Kevin, Luke, & Rutledge Seymour James Walker Zadie Luckett by Jamie &

Melissa Walker-Luckett

Formations Sunday School Class RLBC Chancel Choir by Donna Wood-Martin & Scott Martin

Aubrey, Adam, Mary Katherine, & Mac Connatser
Kurt, Amy, Allie, Kendall, & Ben Meachum
Royal Lane Staff
by Bettie Meachum

Kurt & Amy Meachum, Kendall, Allie & Ben Aubrey& Adam, Connatser, Mary Katherine & Mac Louann Bradford Suzanne M. Duvall by Wayne Meachum

Harry Wooten & the RLBC Music Ministry by Patsy & Don Meier

Patsy (Ma) & Don (D5) Meier Sybi (Mimi) & Ron (Didi) Ward by Amy, Ed, Penelope & Nolan Meier

Shirley James
by Jack & Judy Mullinax

Kristine Ruddle &
the Prayer Place SS Class
The great leadership team at Royal Lane
My four children & two grandchildren
by Christine Nicolette-Gonzalez

Maxine Quesada
Susie Jaynes
Laura Keller
Tim Schaefer
Harry Wooten
Mike Gregg
Bryan Chastain
by Jan & Tex Quesada

Karen & Mark Garcia Alisa Bailey Bettie Meachum Bea & Annaleigh Gregg by Michael & Jim Rainbolt-Bailey

Maebelle's Granddaughters: Lauren, Lena, Thea & Mia by The Raiza's, Rex, Gary, Jenna & Rebbecca

The Sewell/Watson Family by Anne Sewell

All animals great & small, all children young & old by Dianna Stouffer

Martha Hatcher by Ray & Sharon Vickrey

Ray Vickrey by Sharon Vickrey

Silas Washington, grandchild Soren Washington, grandchild Addison Washington, grandchild by Doug & Sandy Washington



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Donna Sewell
Grace Watson
Emma Watson
Sadie Watson
by Charlotte Sewell & Brian Watson

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Prayer Place Sunday School Class by Kristie Weilage

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Barbara Merry
by Debi & Harry Wooten

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Turner Wooten
Harrison Wooten
Brittany & Nathan Jones
Blair Wooten
by Harry & Nancy Wooten



Mourning Light Service & Food Offering

December 18, 6:00 p.m. – Vickrey Hall.

We will gather at 5:30 p.m. for a meal of soup and bread. A service of healing and wholeness for those who mourn during the Advent and Christmas seasons will be held at 6:00 p.m. We will receive communion as a part of this service. Bring a gift of canned goods or nonperishable food to bring forward at communion to support North Dallas Shared Ministries. (childcare provided)

NDSM Needs: Chili, Soup, Pasta, Canned Pasta sauce. (NDSM cannot accept glass containers.)

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Schedule for the Week

Sunday 12:15 pm 7:00 pm	Verdigris Concert – 'Twas The Night Before Christmas — Sanctuary		
Tuesday	Tickets: www.verdigrismusic.org, ROYALLANE gets you a 30% discount December 10		
6:00 pm	Personnel Committee — Library		
	December 11		
•	Holy Rollers Mission Project — Room 202		
5:30 pm	Midweek Family Dinner — Vickrey Hall		
1	Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Salad, Bread, Cheesecake		
6:00 pm	Youth Activities/Study Hall — Youth Basement		
6:15 pm	Children's Activities — Children's Building		
6:15 pm	Midweek Service – Bible Study with Mike Gregg— Vickrey Hall Luke 10:1-42, The Mission of the Seventy-Two and The Good Samaritan		
7:15 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary		
Friday	December 13		
•	Second Friday at NDSM		
	Youth Christmas Party — Youth Basement		
6:00 pm	Parents of Children & Youth Party — Vickrey Hall (childcare provided)		
Saturday	December 14		
10:00 am	Women of the Church — Vickrey Hall		
Sunday	December 15 – Third Sunday of Advent / Choir Music Sunday		
9:30 am	Donuts, Coffee/Juice — Box Gallery		
9:45 am	Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms & Portable 1		
10:55 am	Morning Worship — Sanctuary		

The deadline for the order of service, the Midweek, and the Mosaic is Monday, 5:00 p.m. prior to publication.

Friday, December 13 – 6:00 – 9:00 pm Youth Christmas Party — Youth Basement Parents of Children & Youth – Vickrey Hall

(childcare provided)

Prayer Cards

We invite you to use the Prayer Cards, available in the "pockets" on the back of each pew, to submit prayer requests. These may be placed in the offering plate or handed to a minister or deacon of the week.

Deacons on Call
Paulette Harrison & Cathy Walling
Safety Shepherd – Ed Meier

Godly Play
Kirsten Fleenor & Cheryl Robinson
Young Theologians – Laura Keller & Cookie Stokes

When WE Give: we can support missions that heal the broken.

October 2019 Financials

	YTD Actual	YTD Adjusted*
Revenues	\$ 705,031	\$ 673,836
Expenses	\$ 614,063	\$ 614,063
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 90,068	\$ 59,773

^{*}One Time Pledges Amortized Monthly

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